

Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.

In compliance with Rube reimbursed/paid for			sures with respect to	travel expenses that have been or will
	•	rization (Form RE-1), <u>A</u> rtification Form with all		ry, invitee list, etc.)
Private Sponsor(s) (list	all): U.S. Associat	tion of Former Memb	ers of Congress	(FMC)
Travel date(s): Saturo	lay, September 21	I, 2019 - Saturday, S	eptember 28, 20	19
Name of accompanying Relationship to Travele	· _ ·	ny): N/A Child		
	OSTS IN EMPLOYEE	EASE DUE TO THE ACC EXPENSES. (Attach addit		ISE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY ry.)
	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
☐ Good Faith Estimate Actual Amount	\$3961.69	\$1501.81	\$438.53	\$180.60 (Guides, room fees, interpreters)
Expenses for Accomp	anying Spouse or De	ependent Child (if applic	able):	<u></u> _
	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
☐ Good Faith Estimate	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
☐ Actual Amount				
Provide a description necessary.): See final	of all meetings and evaluation	vents attended. See Senat	e Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if
10 16 2019 Date) TO BE COMPLETED		name of traveler) MEMBER/OFFICER:		(Signature of traveler)
	•	es set out above in connection, lodging, and related		escribed in the Employee Pre-Travel d in Rule 35.
10 16/2019		Joan	(Signature of Sup	ervising Senator: Officer)
(Revised 1/3/11)		-	,o	Form RE-2

EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220. Incomplete and late travel submissions will <u>not</u> be considered or approved. This form <u>must</u> be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

Name of Traveler:	Sarah Holmes		
Employing Office/Committee: Senator Jeanne Shaheen			
Private Sponsor(s) (list all): US Associat	ion of Former Members of Congress		
Travel date(s): September 21, 2019 - S	September 28, 2019		
Note: If you plan to extend the trip	for any reason you must notify the Committee.		
Destination(s): Okinawa and Tokyo, Ja	apan		
Explain how this trip is specifically connec	ted to the traveler's official or representational duties:		
Senator and a variety of groups including; smoorganizations that promote partnerships between	neen and as a member of her senior teadership team. I act as a liaison between the hall businesses seeking assistance to access foreign export markets, non-government ween NH and foreign NGO's and academic institutions seeking to recruit foreign el courses of study. Meetings on this trip will explore opportunities for small or cultural connections with US organizations.		
Name of accompanying family member (if			
Relationship to Employee: Spouse			
I certify that the information contained in the	his form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge:		
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(Date)	(Signature of Employee)		
TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SE Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Mi	NATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms, inority, and Chaplain):		
Jeanne Shaheen	hereby authorize Sarah Holmes		
(Print Senator 's'Officer 's Name)	(Print Traveler's Name)		
related expenses for travel to the event desc	to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and cribed above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her lder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for		
I have also determined that the attendance	of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation		
of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box)			
9-5-2019	Jeanne Shakeen_		
(Date)	(Signature of Supervising Senator Officer)		
(Revised 10/19/15)	Form RE-		



FORMER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS The Congressional Study Groups

September 10, 2019

Dear Colleague:

It is our pleasure to invite you to join The Congressional Study Group on Japan's 2nd Annual Study Tour for District and State Directors from September 21nd, 2019 to September 28nd, 2019. The delegation will visit Tokyo and Okinawa.

The Congressional Study Group on Japan (CSGJ) – a non-partisan, non-advocacy legislative exchange housed in the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress (FMC), a congressional chartered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization – has more than twenty years of history conducting successful, high-level, discussion-driven study tours for Members of Congress and senior congressional staff, which complement an active calendar of year-round programs on Capitol Hill. Fervently non-partisan and non-advocacy, our model promotes an active, substantive discussion among all principals. Our model avoids lengthy speeches or formal presentations that hinder the development of lasting working relationships based on mutual respect and understanding.

The Study Tour for District and State Directors provides an exciting new opportunity to build U.S.-Japan relationships at the regional and local levels of government and civil society, beyond the traditional Washington-Tokyo relationship. Last year, the Congressional Study Group on Japan convened their successful inuagural trip for District and State Directors to Tokyo and Tohoku (Sendai and Fukushima). The 2019 Study Tour to Japan will visit Tokyo and Okinawa. Together with a variety of leading officials and experts from academia, civil society, industry, the media, and government, you will have the opportunity to discuss topics of mutual concern and areas for cooperation, including:

- Public Infrastructure: transportation, health care system, education Military: U.S. presence in Japan, Self-Defense Force, wartime memory
- Science and Technology: automation, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity

During the trip, you will also have an opportunity to learn other topics including issues surrounding idegenous peoples, regional and bilateral trade, and the roles of the district offices in Japan.

We have obtained funding for eight District and State Directors from the House and Senate and are able to provide airfare, out of an airport nearest to your district, for this bipartisan delegation. All lodging, transportation, and scheduled meal costs will be paid for by the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress (FMC), a congressionally-chartered, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, with the generous support of the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission, an independent federal agency created by Congress in 1975. Please note that this privately-sponsored trip will be submitted to the Ethics Committee for congressional approval.

This invitation is non-transferrable, and participation is available on a first-come, first-served basis for a diverse, bipartisan delegation. We look forward to traveling with you, and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best, Solice Schlicht

Sabine Schleidt

Chief Operating Officer

Miles Monaco

Japan Fellow

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PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should NOT submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee MUST also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): US Association of Former Members of Congress (FMC)
Description of the trip: Please see attached.
Dates of travel: Saturday, September 21 to Saturday, September 28 2019
Place of travel: Tokyo and Okinawa, Japan
Name and title of Senate invitees: Please see attached.
I certify that the trip fits one of the following categories:
(A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the tripOR -
(B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (see question 9).
I certify that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
– AND –
I certify that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
I certify that:
The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for de minimis lobbyist involvement. - AND -
The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (see question 9).

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9.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B) I certify that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:
	 (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip. − OR −
	 (B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip (see questions 6 and 10). − OR −
	(C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip.
10.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B) If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:
	
11.	An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I certify that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hour-by-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.
12.	Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:
	FMC is the sole sponsor of the trip, FMC is solely responsible for organizing the itinerary and arranging all
	meetings. FMC is solely responsible for all invitations to and communications with trip participants. All of
	the funding for this trip is provided by grant, to FMC, from the (Please see attached)
13.	Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:
	FMC - a congressional chartered 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization - administers the CSGJ through its
	international program. Through the Study Group, FMC creates constant channels of communication and
	dialogue for the U.S. Members of Congress and their staff to Interact in a (Please see attached)
14.	Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:
	FMC has sponsored congressional travel to Germany, Turkey, Japan, and the Republic of Korea since
	1983. FMC has organized delegations through its CSGJ since January 2014 and has brought six
	Congressional Member delegations and seven Senior Congressional Staff delegations.

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The trip compliments FMC's year-round Capitol Hill programming, which provides a forum for dialogue					
on the issues most relevant to the U.S Japan strategic alliance and the East Asia region. FMC's flagsh			ion. FMC's flagship		
program, Congress	to Campus, brings a bipa	artisan pair of Former	Members of (Pleas	se see attached)	
Total Expenses for Each Participant:					
	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses	
Good Faith estimate Actual Amounts	Blake: \$3476.43 Holmes: \$3701.13 Kistenmacher: \$3451.43 For details please see attached.	\$1302 For details please see attached.	\$1035 For details please see attached.	\$600 For details please see attached.	
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This trip is organized	specifically with regard	to congressional part	icipation		
<u> </u>	the location of the even		icipation		
Reason for selecting Please see attached Name and location of	the location of the even	facility:			
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	Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:			
	Daily expenses are below U.S. Department of States' maximum foreign per diem rates.			
•	- <u>-</u>			
	Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:			
	They will travel on economy airfare for all flights. Ground transportation will consist of domestic public			
•	metro trains and a privately-chartered bus.			
	I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).			
	List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:			
	None			
	I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (For trips involving more than one sponsor, you must include a completed signature page for each additional sponsor): Signature of Travel Sponsor: Sabine Schleidt, Chief Operating Officer			
	Name of Organization: U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress (FMC) Address: 1401 K St. NW, Suite 901 Washington, DC 20005			
	Telephone Number: (202) 222-0972			
	Fax Number:			
	E-mail Address: SSchleidt@usafmc.org			

Continuation of the Senate Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form:

2.

The Congressional Study Group on Japan (CSGJ) – a non-partisan, non-advocacy legislative exchange housed in the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress (FMC), a congressional chartered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization – will conduct its 2019 State Director Study Tour to Japan from September 21 - 28, 2019. This Study Tour offers Senate State Directors a unique educational forum to examine important issues in the bilateral U.S.-Japan relationship such as the bilateral security alliance, Japan's research & development toward environmental issues, and trade relations including the Transpacific Partnership (TPP-11). During their week in Japan, participants will meet with key federal and local government officials as well as top experts, academics, and community leaders on these issues impacting bilateral relations and their work in Congress. Trip participants will also gain a greater understanding of the unique cultural and religious components of Japanese society and their intersections and high importance to Japanese politics and business.

12.

FMC is the sole sponsor of the trip, FMC is soley responsible for organizing the itinerary and arranging all meetings. FMC is solely responsible for all invitations to and communications with trip participants. All of the funding for this trip is provided by grant, to FMC, from the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission (JUSFC), an independent federal agency created by Congress in 1975. The JUSFC plays no role in organizing the trip.

13.

FMC – a congressional chartered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization – administers the CSGJ through its international program. Through the Study Group, FMC creates constant channels of communication and dialogue for U.S. Members of Congress and their staff to interact in a meaningful way with their counterparts in Japan. The 2019 Study Tour offers senior congressional staff a unique educational forum to explore key issues in the bilateral U.S.-Japan relationship and furthering FMC's educational mission.

15.

The trip complements FMC's year-round Capitol Hill programming, which provides a forum for dialogue on the issues most relevant to the U.S.-Japan strategic alliance and the East Asia region.

FMC's flagship program, Congress to Campus, brings a bipartisan pair of former Members of Congress to college campus across the nation to discuss civic education, importance of political participation, and functions of Congress with students throughout the year.

16.

Transportation Expenses:

Ms. Shelly Blake – total of \$3,476.43 (Roundtrip flight between the Lincoln, Nebraska and Tokyo; flights between Tokyo and Okinawa: \$2,836.43, Ground transportation divided by a total number of passengers: \$720)

Ms. Sarah Holmes – total of \$3,701.13 (Roundtrip flight between Boston, Massachusetts and Tokyo; flights between Tokyo and Okinawa: \$3,061.13, Ground transportation divided by a total number of passengers: \$720)

Mr. Nick Kistenmacher - total of \$3,451.43 (Roundtrip flight between Memphis, Tennessee and Tokyo; flights between Tokyo and Okinawa: \$2,811.43, Ground transportation divided by a total number of passengers: \$720)

Lodging Expenses: Total of \$1,302 - \$162 in Okinawa/night for three nights, \$272/night in Tokyo for three nights

Meal Expenses: Total of \$1,032 - \$115/day in Okinawa for 3 days. \$229/day in Tokyo for 3 days

Other Expenses: Total of \$600 (Interpreter in Tokyo and Okinawa: \$150, English-Speaking Guide: \$250, Meeting room rental fee: \$100, Travel Insurance: \$100)

18.

Tokyo is the financial and political hub of Japan, and the senior staff delegation will meet with American and Japanese government officials, journalists and issue experts on issues ranging from security, women's status to trade.

Okinawa is a bridge in the US – Japan security alliance, hosting 32 United States military bases and occupying approximately 25% of the island's area.. The delegation will have the opportunity to visit the US air base, Kadena Air Base, as well as their Japanese counterparts at the Japan Air Self-Defense Force Naha Air Base, to better understand the security alliance.

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2019 U.S. District/State Directors Study Tour Final Itinerary

Saturday, September 21st – Saturday, September 28th Tokyo and Okinawa

In case of an emergency in Japan, please call:

U.S. Embassy - Tokyo: +81-3-3224-5000

The Congressional Study Group on Japan's District/State Director Study Tour is made possible by the generous support by the Japan-Vi.S. Friendship Commission, an independent federal agency.

Hotels

Hotel New Otani Tokyo

4-1 Kioichio Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 102-8578 Tel: +81-3-3265-1111 Hilton Okinawa Chatan Resort

40-1 Mihama Chatan-Cho Okinawa 904-0115 Tel: +81-98-901-1111

Saturday, September 21, 2019

All-day

Departure from local airports

Sunday, September 22, 2019 <O

<Okinawa>

Travel Day

Arriving in Tokyo

1:55pm	UA0079 from EWR to NRT (Terminal 1) [HOLMES, Sarah]
2:00pm	UA0007 from IAH to NRT (Terminal 1) [KISTENMACHER, Nick]
2:20pm	UA7938 from ORD to NRT (Terminal 1) [BLAKE, Shelly]
2:20 - 5:55pm	Go through customs and layover in airport
5:55 – 8:45pm	NH2159 from Tokyo to Okinawa; transfer to hotel
9:30pm	Check-in at hotel

8:00 – 9:15am	Discussion with the U.S. Consul General, Naha
	Conversation with Consul General Robert Koepcke on the Consulate's priorities in Okinawa, at hotel in Chatan.
	Briefing on the current state of affairs in Okinawa, and Japan.
9:30 – 10:45am	Academic View of Okinawan Identity
	Discussion with Prof. Masaaki Gabe, Ryukyu University
	Working breakfast on overview of Okinawan identity and cultural, Okinawan – Tokyo relationship.
	Rest - Q&A Session moderated by a delegate
11:00am – 12:00pm	Bus ride from hotel to next meeting
Lunch	Informal lunch
	Location TBD
1:00 - 2:30pm	Mamaga of Wastel Was II
1.00 2.50pm	Memory of World War II Visit and tour of Okinawa Prefectural Peace Memorial Museum with
	Marine Corps Community Service guide
	 Guided tour by Marine Corps Community Service guide, offering a unique perspective on the memory of World War II in Okinawa.
	614-1 Mahuni. Itoman-shi, Okinawa
2:30 - 3:30pm	Bus ride from museum to next meeting
	U.S. Rebalance to the Asia-Pacific
3:45- 5:15pm	Briefing with officers at Kadena Air Base
	Briefing by select officers at Kadena Air Base on the current state of the base and its relationship with the surrounding community.
	An overview of the base's +70 years of history on the island.
	Kadena Lir Base
5:45 – 6:00pm	Bus ride to hotel
Dinner	Working Dinner Conversation with Ms. Paige Cottingham-Streater
T 10 000	Dinner conversation with Ms. Paige Cottingham-Streater, Executive
7:30 – 9:00 pm	Director of the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission
	 Overview on current US-Japan Relations establishing a foundational understanding of the bilateral relationship

<Okinawa>

Regional Briefing: Okinawa's History and Relationship with the U.S.

Monday, September 23, 2019

Breakfast

Tucsday, September 24, 2019

<Okinawa>

9:00 - 10:30am

Visit to AmerAsian School

- A site tour offers our delegation insight on the societal impacts of US bases in Okinawa
- Briefing of the history and mission of the school by their principal
- Visiting classrooms of Middle School students

The American School in Okinawa, was founded 20 years ago by five women with the goal of providing bi-racial children a "double education" so they could learn about American and Japanese culture/identity. The was heavily supported by former Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi, and has won three major education awards from the Japan Foundation, Asahi Shimbun, and Hakuhodo.

15-22 Shimashi, Ginowan, Okinawa

10:45 - 11:30am

Bus ride from AmeriAsian School to next meeting

11:30 - 1:30pm

Cutting-edge Technology: From "Keystone of the Pacific" to "Hub of International Education in the East Asia"

Visit to Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology

Guided tour of OIST main campus and lunch discussion with faculty members

Briefing and presentation given by Executive Vice President Dr. Bob Baughman at their Technology Development and Innovation Center

The Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University (OIST) is an interdisciplinary graduate school. Over half of the faculty and students are recruited from outside Japan, and all education and research is conducted entirely in English. The OIST Graduate University shall conduct internationally outstanding education and research in science and technology, and thus contribute to the sustainable development of Okinawa, and promote and sustain the advancement of science and technology.

1919-1 Tancha, Onna, Kunigami, Okinawa

2:00 - 3:30pm

Japan's Security Priority in the Region
Briefing and tour of Japan Ground and Maritime Self-Defense Force
Naha Base

- Conversation on the role of the Japan Air Self-Defense Force in Japanese national security.
- Briefing on the state of the region, covering topics such as North Korea,
 China's military expansion, and US ally's like South Korea.

301 Jitoma, Naha. Okinawa

3:30 - 4:00pm

Bus ride from base to next meeting

4:15 - 5:15pm

History of Ryukyu Kingdom

Visit and tour of Shuri Castle with Mr. Kurayoshi Takara

 The Castle will offer our delegation insight on Okinawa's indigenous population, before they became a part of Japan.

A city district of Naha today, Shuri is the name of the former capital of the Ryukyu Kingdom. Shuri Castle served as the administrative center and residence of the Ryukyu kings for several centuries until Okinawa became a Japanese prefecture in 1879. Shuri Castle was originally built in the late 1300s, and played an integral role in the political unification of the island. The Castle will offer our delegation insight on Okinawa's indigenous population, before they became a part of Japan.

1-2 Shurikinja, Naba, Okinawa

Dinner

6:30 - 8:00pm

Okinawa: A Pacific Trade Hub

Discussion with representatives from American Chamber of Commerce of Okinawa (ACCO)

Wednesday, September 25, 2019 < Okinawa/Tokyo>

Breakfast

At hotel

9:55am - 12:25pm

NH0994 from Okinawa to Tokyo

12:45 - 1:25pm

Bus ride from airport to next meeting

Lunch

1:30 - 2:30pm

Foreigners in Japan 101: Creating a Japanese Identity

Lunch discussion with Patrick Harlan, commentator, lecturer at Tokyo

Institute of Technology

Roundtable conversation on experience living in Japan as an American, the cultural difference in business and communication between the US and Japan, how Japanese TV audience views American political process, and traits of young Japanese students

3:00 - 3:30pm

Bus ride from lunch to next meeting

3:30 - 5:00pm

The Influence of Buddhism and Shintoism in Japanese Society Visit to Meiji Jingu Shrine, and guided tour by priest including brief presentation on the role of religion in Japan.

 Participants will learn of the significant role it plays in the life and mindset of Japanese citizens and politicians.

Meiji Jingu, dedicated to Emperor Meiji, the first emperor of modern Japan, is of Shinto origin, a religion native to Japan which centers on polytheistic nature worship and whose origin goes back to primitive times. Over its long history, Shintoism has developed into a religion that has become truly unique in the world, adopting continental influences to combine with its own indigenous traditions. Japanese spiritual and daily life is deeply rooted in Shintoism.

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Yoyogikamizono-cho, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo

5:45 - 6:00pm

Bus ride to hotel

6:30 - 7:00pm

Bus ride from hotel to dinner

Dinner 7:00 – 9:00pm

Understanding Regional Dynamics

Discussion with mid-level diplomats from Ministry of Foreign Affairs

 Brief introduction of each diplomat (four to five), including their background and current assignment, conversation on their experience previously working in the Japanese Embassy in Washington, D.C.

Thursday, September 26, 2019

< Tokyo>

Breakfast

At Hotel

8:00 - 9:30am

US Embassy Country Briefing

Briefing by select heads of sections such as Political, Economic, Commerce, Public Affairs, and Consular on the current state of bilateral relationship

1-10-5 .- 1kasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo

10:00 - 11:30am

The Effectiveness of Abe's Womenomics

Discussion with female leaders such as Ms. Kathy Matsui, Goldman Sachs, and Prof. Mieko Nakabayashi, Waseda University

Open discussion between delegation and Japanese female experts, in their respective fields

 Overview on the impacts of Prime Minister Abe's Womenomics on Japanese society

Lunch

Lunch discussion with Mr. Harry Hill, Chairman of the Japan-U.S. 12:00 - 1:00pm Friendship Commission Working lunch on overview of Japanese politics and economy, US-Japan bilateral relationship Opening remarks by discussant Rest - Q&A Session moderated by a delegate Voices of the New Generation 1:30 - 3:00pmVisit to Tokyo University and discussion with students, led by Prof. Kiichi Fujiwara Tokyo University 3:30 - 4:30pm Unveiling the Infrastructure Hub of Japan Tour of Tokyo Station, led by representatives from East Japan Railway Briefing by representatives from East Japan Railway on Japan's existing public transportation system on a variety of topics including quality control and emergency preparedeness 4:30 - 5:00pm Bus ride back to hotel 6:30 - 7:00pm Bus ride from hotel to next meeting Dinner The Importance of a Multilateral Cooperation 7:00pm - 8:30 pmDinner discussion and exchange with representatives from ASEAN nations, including: DCM Ethan Chua, Embassy of Singapore; DCM Cherdchai Chiavaivid, Embassy of Thailand Conversation on state of affairs between various ASEAN nations and Japan. Discussion surrounding topics such as trade and security, in the region.

Friday, Septemi	be <u>r 27, 2019 </u>	<u><tokyo></tokyo></u>

Breakfast	At the hotel
9:30 - 11:30 am	The Economic Impacts of an Aging-Society
	Meeting with representatives from Aflac at their Innovation Lab
	Conversation on the economic impacts a shrinking population has on a business.
	Insight on the experience of being an American company operating in Japan.
Lunch	Informal lunch at Japanese Diet building at a cafeteria of the Office
Noon - 1:00pm	Building of the House of Representatives in the Japanese Diet
	Diet Office Building of the House of Representatives,
	2-1-1 Nagata-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

1:00 - 1:45pm

"Reiwa": A New Era for Legislation

Tour of the National Diet Building, a Japanese Parliament, guided by a staff from the Japanese Diet's International Division

The tour, guided by a staff from the Diet, will include visiting the Committee rooms and the House Chambers, and will allow the delegation to learn the history of Japanese legislature.

The National Diet is Japan's bicameral legislature, composed of a lower house (1-louse of Representatives) and an uppder house (1-louse of Councillors). This building was completed in 1936.

National Diet of Japan 1-7-1 Nagata-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

2:00 - 4:30 pm

Visions for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games

Visit to Nippon Foundation Paralympic Support Center and Para Arena

Discussion with representative for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, on a variety of topics from the accessibility of Japanese society to preparing for the upcoming Games.

 Guided tour of their official training site, the Para Arena, where innovative solutions to accessibility issues are put into action.

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3-1 Higashi-yashio, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo

4:00 - 4:45pm

Bus back to hotel

6:15 - 6:30pm

Bus ride from hotel to dinner

Dinner

Debrief Dinner

6:30 - 8:30pm

Debrief dinner conversation on what each participant learned during the trip, how they will get back the knowledge and experience to the District/State

 Led by FMC Staff
 Open conversation on the impact meeting partners and site visits had on participants

Saturday, September 28, 2019

Travel Day

7:00am

Ms. Shelly Blake checks-out of hotel

7:10 - 7:30am

Bus ride from hotel to Haneda airport to drop off Ms. Shelley Blake

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Departing Time

10:40am

UA 7912 from HND to ORD (Terminal 1)

Layover

UA5645 from ORD to LNK (Final Destination)

[BLAKE, Shelly]]

10:00 am

Rest of delegation checks-out of hotel

10:15a-11:45am

Bus ride from hotel to airport

12:00 - 1:00pm

Informal lunch at airport

Departing Time

4:10pm

UA0804 from NRT to IAD (Terminal 1)

Layover

UA0822 from IAD to BOS (Final Destination)

[HOLMES, Sarah]

6:10pm

UA0142 from NRT to DEN (Terminal 1)

Layover

UA4567 from DEN to MEM (Final Destination)

[KISTENMACHER, Nick]

2019 State Director Study Tour to Japan

Saturday, September 21, 2019 to Saturday, September 28, 2019

Tokyo and Okinawa, Japan

Senate Invitees

Ms. Shelly Blake, State Director, Office of Sen. Ben Sasse (R-NE)

Mr. James Cantwell, State Director, Office of Sen. Edward Markey (D-MA)

Ms. Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)

Ms. Cameron Joost, State Director, Office of Sen. Tammy Duckworth (D-IL)

Ms. Leila Kimbrell, State Director, Office of Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)

Mr. Nick Kistenmacher, State Director, Office of Sen. Marsha Blackburn (R-TN)

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